

# **SC Annual School Report Card Summary**

**EBENEZER AVENUE ELEMENTARY** 

York 3

Grades: K-5 **Enrollment: 316** 

Principal: Johneka Simmons Superintendent: Lynn P. Moody **Board Chair: Bob Norwood** 

### **PERFORMANCE**

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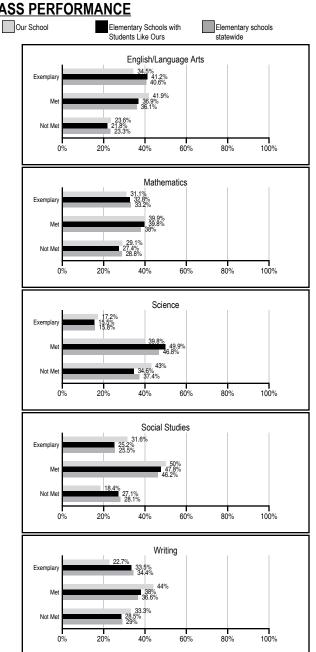
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	<b>GROWTH RATING</b>	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	Average	Good	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2009	Average	Good	Silver	N/A	Met	N/A
2008	Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

# **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
8	29	75	1	0

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.





#### **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

South Carolina		38		34	2	22	6
Nation		34		34		24	7
■ Below Basic □	% Basic	6 Below B		% Basic, Profice  ■ Advanced	cient, ar	nd Adva	nced
MATH – GRADE	4 (200	09)	ı				
South Carolina	uth Carolina 22		44			29	5
Nation		19		43		33	
■ Below Basic □	% Belo ∃ <i>Basic</i>	ow Basic		asic, Proficient,  Advanced	and Ad	vanced	
SCIENCE – GRA	ADE 4	(2005)		ı			
South Carolina 36			39		23 2		
Nation		34		39		2	5 2
		34		39		2	5

#### **SC PERFORMANCE GOAL**

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

#### 2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

## **EBENEZER AVENUE ELEMENTARY [York 3]**

#### SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=316)				
Retention rate	1.6%	Down from 2.2%	1.1%	1.2%
Attendance rate	96.3%	Down from 96.8%	96.0%	96.1%
Eligible for gifted and talented	11.6%	Up from 8.8%	12.0%	11.7%
With disabilities other than speech	8.5%	Down from 11.1%	8.5%	8.0%
Older than usual for grade	0.4%	Up from 0.0%	0.4%	0.4%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=27)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	59.3%	No Change	59.3%	60.5%
Continuing contract teachers	77.8%	Up from 70.4%	85.7%	84.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	93.5%	Up from 93.2%	88.7%	87.0%
Teacher attendance rate	97.4%	Up from 97.0%	95.3%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,864	Up 0.7%	\$47,128	\$47,288
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	6.4 days	Down from 6.5 days	10.1 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 3.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.9 to 1	Down from 18.2 to 1	19.4 to 1	19.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	93.2%	Up from 92.9%	90.5%	90.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Average	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,103	Up 8.5%	\$7,274	\$7,548
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	71.8%	Down from 72.2%	67.8%	68.7%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	69.1%	Up from 68.6%	64.4%	65.1%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	26	62	29
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	88.7%	86.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	80.6%	93.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	88.0%	88.7%	89.7%

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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# REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

As the oldest school in Rock Hill School District Three, Ebenezer Avenue Elementary will celebrate its 90th year of working together with students, home, and the community to ensure that all Ebenezer Avenue students have the skills, knowledge, and desire to become lifelong learners and succeed in a changing world. We can proudly say that many of our alumni have gone on to make our mission a reality.

As a proud part of this community, we have a rich heritage and reputation for excellent academic achievement, safety, and parental involvement. At Ebenezer Avenue Elementary School, we take great pride in our accomplishments. Our school is a Flagship School of Promise, Red Carpet School and, yet again, Palmetto Silver Award Winner. As always, the aims and goals of Ebenezer Avenue Elementary are focused on the growth and achievement of every child. We will be differentiating teaching strategies and using new tools targeted for each learning style and intelligence of our students. Teachers will take inventories which will reveal each teacher's unique combination of teaching style elements. These inventories will assist teachers with rearranging the learning environment to get better results, and help match the specific needs of students and their teachers during the learning process. Parents will also receive their child's learning style inventory results coupled with an in depth explanation on how best their child learns.

During the 2009-2010 school year, the PTO and SIC met on a regular basis and contributed to the successes of our students. PTO projects included fundraisers, teacher appreciation week, and a special evening at the York County Museum. PTO also assisted with funding of field trips, teacher grants, and numerous parental involvement activities. Students enjoyed taking field trips to Brattonsville, Caroll School, Museum of York County, Winthrop University, Charleston, SC, and Washington, DC. Students had the opportunity to participate in the following programs: Fundamental Friday, Morning TV Show, Character Hall of Fame, Red Ribbon Week, Terrific Kids, STAR Mentoring Program, Student Council, Safety Patrol, Recycling Program, Daily Computer Lab, and Birthday Luncheon with the Principal. Students in grades 4-5 were given the opportunity to participate in a student-led drama club production of Alice in Wonderland. This endeavor was a huge success. During the 2010-2011 school year, we look forward to providing the opportunity for each student to choose from a variety of clubs to be involved in.

South Carolina Curriculum Standards continue to serve as the blueprint for all classroom instruction. By focusing on the standards for their grade level, teachers were able to provide effective instruction and promote literacy and writing across the language arts, math, science, and social studies curriculum areas. Faculty members worked especially hard on designing math assessment items that were written to promote rigor and model real-world application.

Ebenezer Avenue Elementary School is a great place to learn, to achieve, and to succeed! Come celebrate 90 years with us as we focus on academic achievement, safety, and enrichment for ALL children, and parental/community involvement!

Johneka Simmons, Principal Lisa Knight, SIC Chair

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.